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SUBJECT: U.S. CUSTOMS NARCOTIC DETECTOR DOG TRAINER PROGRAM

1. U.S. CUSTOMS HAS SCHEDULED ITS SEVENTH NARCOTIC DETECTOR DOG TRAINER CLASS TO BE HELD IN FRONT ROYAL, VIRGINIA DURING THE PERIOD 10/18/76-11/5/76 . THE COURSE WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ENGLISH ONLY. U.S. CUSTOMS WOULD LIKE TO ALLOCATE FOUR PARTICIPANT SLOTS TO MALAYSIAN INTERDICTION ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. THESE SLOTS CAN BE FILLED BY OFFICERS FROM CUSTOMS, FROM POLICE ORGANIZATIONS, OR FROM OTHER AGENCIES, THE PRIME CONSIDERATION BEING THEIR COMMITMENT TO USING THE OFFERED TRAINING IN FIGHTING ILLEGAL DRUG TRAFFIC.

2. PARTICIPANTS: MALAYSIAN PARTICIPANTS HAVE EXTENSIVE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE IN BOTH DOG HANDLING AND DOG TRAINING. IDEALLY, THEY SHOULD CURRENTLY BE INVOLVED IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF AN ONGOING DOG TRAINING PROGRAM. NOTE THAT DOG PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION EXPERIENCE IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR

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DOG TRAINING AND HANDLING EXPERIENCE.

3. OBJECTIVES: THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THIS TRAINING IS TO EQUIP THE MALAYSIANS WITH KNOWLEDGE AND ATTITUDES WHICH WILL ALLOW THEM, WITHIN LOCAL CONSTRAINTS, TO DEVELOP THEIR OWN SUCCESSFUL NARCOTICS DOG TRAINING PROGRAM. TO THE EX-

TENT POSSIBLE, THEIR PROGRAM SHOULD DRAW ON THEIR OWN RESOURCES. THE MAIN OBJECTIVE IS SUPPORTED BY THE FOLLOWING COURSE OBJECTIVES: 1) THE MALAYSIANS WILL BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TRADITIONAL DOG TRAINING METHODS AND THE METHODS EMPLOYED BY THE U.S. CUSTOMS TRAINERS; 2) THEY WILL BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN THE WAYS U.S. CUSTOMS APPLIES ITS TRAINING METHODS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NARCOTICS DETECTOR DOG; 3) THEY WILL BE ABLE TO ENUMERATE THE TECHNIQUES USED BY U.S. CUSTOMS IN CARRYING OUT ACTIVITIES REQUIRED TO SUPPORT A SUCCESSFUL NARCOTICS DOG PROGRAM. SPECIFICALLY, THEY WILL LEARN ABOUT ANIMAL PROCUREMENT, HEALTH AND VETERINARY PROGRAMS, AND BOTH DOG AND TRAINER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION METHODS; 4) FINALLY, THEY WILL BE ABLE TO APPLY THE ACQUIRED INFORMATION TO THEIR EXISTING OR DEVELOPING DOG PROGRAM. THIS OBJECTIVE IS SUPPORTED BY COURSES IN METHODS OF EVALUATION OF TRAINER PROGRAMS, DOG UTILIZATION, RECORD MAINTENANCE, KENNEL MANAGEMENT, AND FIELD UNIT ORGANIZATION AND SUPERVISION.

4. PLEASE ROUTE AN EARLY REPLY TO ALLSHOUSE, INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS DIVISION, U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE.

5. STUDENTS SHOULD PLAN TO ARRIVE WASHINGTON OCTOBER 11 TO ALLOW FOR ORIENTATION AT WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL CENTER PRIOR TO BEGINNING OF TRAINING. ROBINSON

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